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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **AE-2**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AS-NEEDED MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL/PLUMBING
ENGINEERING DESIGN AND DESIGN REVIEW SERVICES
VARIOUS COUNTY PROJECTS
AWARD OF CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENTS
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works to execute Consultant Services Agreements with Dahl Taylor and Associates, Inc; Glumac; and STV Incorporated to provide as-needed mechanical/electrical/plumbing (MEP) engineering design and design review services for various County projects for a 3-year term with each firm. The Agreements shall not exceed a \$300,000 fee each for an aggregate total of \$900,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The recommended Agreements will provide as-needed MEP Agreements for the direct use of project managers to rapidly obtain MEP services for relatively small projects and provide supplemental MEP services for in-house design and design review to expand the breadth of available expertise and the ability to meet schedules during peaks in workload.

Public Works is experiencing an increasing number and variety of projects that require MEP design services. Examples include the renovation/improvement of various County buildings, various Public Works facilities, and County capital projects. The recommended Consultant Services Agreements will expand our ability to deliver relatively small capital projects efficiently and provide design and design review services within desired timeframes.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the County Strategic Plan Goals of Service Excellence and Organizational Effectiveness. The use of as-needed Consultant Services Agreements has enabled Public Works to better manage fluctuations and increases in workload while providing quality services in a responsive manner to our clients.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The Contract period will be for 3 years with each firm. The value of each Consultant Services Agreement is \$300,000, totaling \$900,000 for the three Agreements.

Sufficient funds to finance these Agreements for Fiscal Year 2006-07 are included in the 2006-07 Public Works' Facility Project Management General Fund. Funding for future years will be included in the 2007-08 and 2008-09 Budget requests. Costs in the Facility Project Management General Fund will be recovered through billings to capital projects. There will be no impact on net County costs.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

A standard Consultant Services Agreement, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, will be used. The standard Board-directed clauses that provide for termination, renegotiation, and hiring qualified displaced County employees will be included.

As requested by your Board on August 12, 1997, and as a threshold requirement for consideration for Contract award, Dahl Taylor and Associates, Glumac, and STV Incorporated are willing to consider Greater Avenues for Independence Program/General Relief Opportunity for Work participants for future employment.

As required by your Board, language has been incorporated into the Contract specifications stating that the contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify their employees, about Board Policy 5.135 (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) and that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws.

Dahl Taylor and Associates, Glumac, and STV Incorporated are in full compliance with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program) and Chapter 2.203 (Contractor Employee Jury Service Program).

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

A finding of environmental impact is not required for award of the Consultant Services Agreements for this scope of work.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On May 11, 2006, Public Works issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to 22 firms. On May 30, 2006, eight firms responded to the RFP. An Evaluation Committee, consisting of Public Works' technical staff, evaluated the proposals. Evaluation of the firms was based on technical expertise, proposed work plan, experience, personnel, qualifications, and understanding of the work requirements. These evaluations were completed without regard to race, creed, color, or gender. Based on their review and evaluation of the proposals, the Evaluation Committee recommended Dahl Taylor and Associates, Glumac, and STV Incorporated as the best-qualified firms to perform the specified services.

The Agreements with Dahl Taylor and Associates, Glumac, and STV Incorporated include a cost-of-living adjustment provision that is consistent with your Board's policy and will be applied in the second and third years of the Agreements.

As requested by your Board on February 3, 1998, the RFP was listed on the Doing Business with Us website. A copy of the website posting is enclosed.

Dahl Taylor and Associates' (25 percent), Glumac's (3 percent), and STV Incorporated's (25 percent) Community Business Enterprises participation data and 3-year contracting histories are on file with Public Works.

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Public Works has evaluated and determined that Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.201 (Living Wage Program) does not apply to the recommended Contracts. These Contracts are exempt from the requirements of Proposition A because the services are required on a part-time and intermittent basis.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended consultant services.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance
Department of Public Social Services (GAIN/GROW Program)

Award information has not been added at this time.

Bid Information

Bid Number : AED0000511

Bid Title : As-Needed Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing Engineering Design/Design Review Services

Bid Type : Service

Department : Public Works

Commodity : CONSULTING SERVICES - ENGINEERING

Open Date : 5/11/2006

Closing Date : 6/8/2006 5:00 PM

Notice of Intent to Award : [View Detail](#)

Bid Amount : \$ 000

Bid Download : Not Available

Bid Description : The Los Angeles County Dept. of Public Works is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide As-Needed Mechanical, Electrical, & Plumbing Engineering Design/Design Review services for various projects in the County of Los Angeles. Proposals are due 5:00 pm, June 8, 2006. Request copies of the Request for Proposals at dasato@ladpw.org.

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